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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SPOP APUB LA

SUBJECT: POPULATION DATA FOR THE LPDR

1. BERNARD ROSTAING, STATISTICAL EXPERT WORKING WITH THE UN IN LPDR TOLD EMBOFF MARCH 5 THAT ACCORDING TO HIS PRELIMINARY DATA THE POPULATION OF THE LPDR IS 2.9 MILLION. HE SAID THAT THE POPULATION OF VIENTIANE IS APPROXIMATELY 107,000. HE SAID THAT GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HAD ATTEMPTED TO ALTER SOME OF HIS FIGURES: FOR INSTANCE, HIS CALCULATIONS INDICATED THAT CHAMPASSAK PROVINCE HAS A POPULATIO OF 302,000, BUT OFFICIALS INSISTED THAT HE REVISE HIS FIGURE UPWARD BY 73,000, ARGUING THAT HE HAD FAILED TO INCLUDE FIGURES FOR CIVIL SERVANTS, STUDENTS, AND TROOPS.

2. COMMENT: ROSTAING'S FIGURES DIFFER FROM BACKGROUND NOTES" ESTIMATES FOR LAOS (3,335,000) AND FOR VIENTIANE (120,000). GIVEN THE MASSIVE POPULATION MOVEMENTS WITHIN LAOS AND OUT OF LAOS IN RECENT YEARS IT SEEMS UNLIKELY THAT ANY DEPENDABLE POPULATION FIGURES WILL BE
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